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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q87822

Masahiro NOMURA

Appln. No.: 10/533,304

Group Art Unit: 2816

Confirmation No.: 4801

Examiner: Tuan T. Lam

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For:

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 29, 2006, in which the Examiner has required an Election of Species, Applicant responds by electing Species C, Figures 24-46 without traverse. Claims 5-8, 10-17, 19-50, 52-63, 65 and 66 read on the elected species.

Applicant notes that this response is timely filed since the due date of October 29, 2006 for responding to the present Office Action fell on a weekend.

Prompt and favorable action on the elected claims are now respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted, ...

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